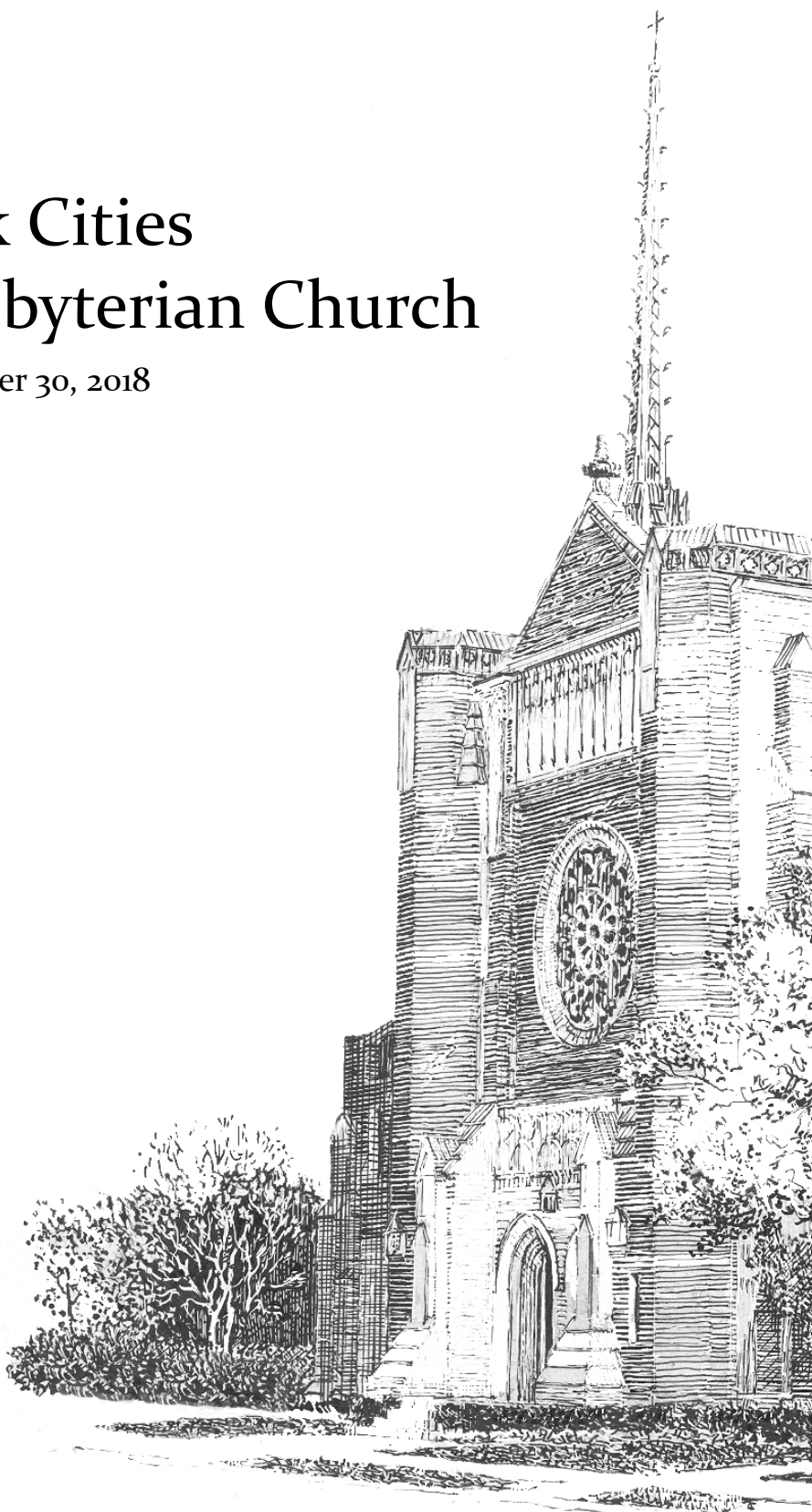


Park Cities Presbyterian Church

December 30, 2018



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ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 30, 2018
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

First Sunday after Christmas

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Prelude

“Carol of the Bells/Angels We Have Heard on High” *UKRAINIAN/GLORIA*
arr. Nielson & Young
J. Marty Cope, organ • Stephen Nielson, piano

*During the Prelude, please join in silent preparation
of heart and mind to worship our God.*

Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00
The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 9:30/11:00

Minister: And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.

People: For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

Minister: And this will be a sign for you: you will find a Baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.”

People: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!”

Luke 2.10-14

***Carol No. 211**

“God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen”

GOD REST YOU MERRY

***Prayer of Adoration**

When the fullness of time came
God sent His Son,
His eternal wisdom,
the substance of His own glory,
into this world,
who took the nature of humanity
from the substance of a woman, a virgin,
by means of the Holy Ghost.
And so was born the “just seed of David,”
the “Angel of the great counsel of God,”
the very Messiah promised,
whom we confess and acknowledge to be Emmanuel,
true God and true man,
two perfect natures united and joined in one Person.

—from the *Scots Confession* (1560), Chapter 6

***Carol No. 230** “Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor” *QUELLE EST CETTE*

Public Confession of Sin

Our God and Father,
when we behold Your Son Jesus,
we see Your great love for us,
for You sent Your one and only Son into the world
to die for sinners like us,
so that whoever believes in Him would have eternal life.
Since You have given Your Son,
we can say with the apostle Paul,
“How will You not also with Christ graciously give us all things?”
Yet, our Father,
our appetite for things of secondary or even of no importance
fills our lives with longings that You never intended us to have.
Our love and devotion to our possessions and our pleasures
reveal again our true need for Jesus.
Lord, in this Christmas season would You please give us Christ:
fill our hearts with desire to know Him,
to love Him, to serve and follow Him;
fill our mouths with words to honor Him and proclaim Him;
give us His presence to guide us in wisdom,
to give peace to our troubled souls,
to guard and protect our ways;
grant us His grace and favor to forgive our sins,
and to bring us to glory. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved!
Ephesians 2.4-5

*Carol No. 207

9:30/11:00

“Good Christian Men, Rejoice”

IN DULCI JUBILO

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Fulmer 8:00

Mr. Lamberth 9:30/11:00

Musical Offering

“Love Divine”

Irish melody/BEECHER
arr. Amy Tate Williams

Caroline Nielson, *mezzo soprano*
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Colossians 1.19-20

People: **And also with you.**

*The Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 8.9

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich.

1 Timothy 6.17-19

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy.

¹⁸ *They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share,*

¹⁹ *thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.*

The Sermon

THE KING'S CAROLS
"Thou Who Wast Rich
beyond All Splendor"

Mr. Williams 8:00
Mr. Higginbottom 9:30/11:00

Worshippers at 9:30 and 11:00, please
continue at the closing hymn.

*The Great Thanksgiving 8:00

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

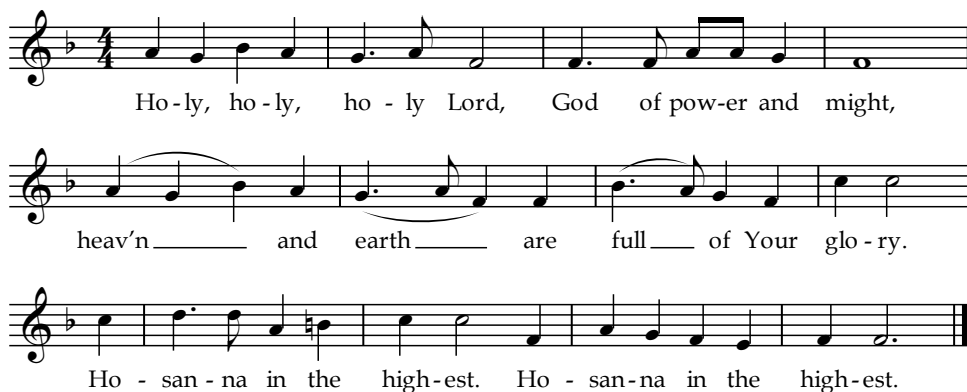
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,
Everlasting God.

**People: Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the
company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious
Name; evermore praising You, and singing:**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav'n _____ and earth _____ are full _____ of Your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Words of Institution 8:00

Communion 8:00

*Please come forward down the center aisle.
Partake of the elements upon receiving them from the elders.
Return to your seat with your empty cup via the side aisle.*



1. From the squalor of a borrowed stable,
 2. King of heaven now the Friend of sinners,
 3. Through the kisses of a friend's betrayal,
 4. Now He's stand - ing in the place of hon - or,
 by the Spi - rit and a vir - gin's faith;
 hum - ble ser - vant in the Fa - ther's hands,
 He was lift - ed on a cru - el cross;
 crowned with glo - ry on the high - est throne,
 to the an - guish and the shame of scan - dal
 filled with po - wer and the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
 He was pun - ished for a world's trans - gress - ions,
 in - ter - ced - ing for His own be - lov - ed
 came the Sa - vior of the hu - man race! But the
 filled with mer - cy for the bro - ken man. Yes, He
 He was suf - fer - ing to save the lost. He___
 till His Fa - ther calls to bring them home! Then the
 skies were filled with the praise of heav'n, shep - herds lis - ten as the
 walked my road and He felt my pain, joys and sor - rows that I
 fights for breath, He___ fights for me, loos - ing sin - ners from the
 skies will part as the trum - pet sounds hope of heav - en or the
 an - gels tell of the Gift of God come___ down to man
 know so well; yet His righ - teous steps give me hope a - gain:
 claims of hell; and___ with a shout our___ souls set free:
 fear of hell; but the Bride will run to her Lov - er's arms,
 at the dawn - ing of Im - man - u - el.
 I will fol - low my Im - man - u - el!
 death de - feat - ed by Im - man - u - el!
 giv - ing glo - ry to Im - man - u - el!

*The Benediction

Minister: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD
 has risen upon you.

Isaiah 60.1

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude

Prelude, Fugue, and Toccata on
 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"
 Mr. Cope, organ

arr. David Lowe

*Please stand if you are able.

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God.

Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.

MINISTERS: The members of this church family who, in serving their Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, extend His Kingdom in Dallas and to the world.

If you would like to donate the Sanctuary worship flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, go to pcpc.org/flowers.



Welcome to Park Cities Presbyterian Church. We are glad you joined us today.

We want to come alongside you in hospitality and prayer. At the conclusion of our services, there are men and women at the front and back of the sanctuary to meet and pray with you—in complete confidence.

If you are experiencing an unexpected pregnancy, you are loved. For support, please speak with us or call Thrive Women's Clinic at 214-343-9263 or Kari Stainback at 214-224-2738.

“Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor . . . rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality.” Romans 12.10, 12, 13

SERMON NOTES

THE KING'S CAROLS

“Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor”

2 Corinthians 8.9; 1 Timothy 6.17-19

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of December 30, 2018

Praise

Call to Worship: *(everyone together)*

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Luke 2.10-14

“From the Squalor of a Borrowed Stable” *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the hymn on page six.

Hearing and Learning God’s Word

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 8.9; 1 Timothy 6.17-19 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

Questions for Discussion: *(may be answered in one worship time or spread over several times)*

1. How was Jesus rich?
2. How are we poor?
3. How did Jesus become poor?
4. What does it mean to become rich in Christ?
5. How are riches in Christ different from riches in the world?
6. Why is generosity evidence that we know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ?
7. What are some specific ways we could be sacrificially generous in 2019?

Scripture Memory for December: *(memorize this passage of Scripture this month)*

Luke 2.11-14

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.
¹²And this will be a sign for you: you will find a Baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, ¹⁴“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!”

Prayer

Prayer: *(saying together)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.